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M.P.s Heckle Amery Over Bengal Crisis

Secretary Of State Evades Reply To Demand For Inquiry

SAYS, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ACTUALLY INSUFFICIENT GRAIN IN CALCUTTA

WESTMINSTER, October 12.

Mr. Leopold Amery, Secretary of State for India, aroused the keenest interest in the House of Commons today when he made his second statement on the Bengal food crisis.

He had been asked whether "he has considered a recent communication addressed to him from the Mayor and the Corporation of Calcutta concerning the grave famine situation; whether the communication contains any specific requests or demands; and what action is proposed to be taken in regard to it."

Amery's Statement

Mr. Amery replied: "With the permission of the House I should like, with reference to the question on the Order Paper, to make a further short statement on the food situation in India, especially Bengal. At the beginning of the year His Majesty's Government provided the necessary shipping for substantial imports of grain to India in order to meet prospects of serious shortages which were subsequently relieved by the excellent spring harvest in Northern India.

SHIPPING PROBLEM

Since the recrudescence of shortage in an acute form we have made every effort to provide shipping and considerable quantities of food grains are now arriving or are due to arrive before the end of the year. We have also been able to help in the supply of milk food for children.

The problem, so far as help from here is concerned, is entirely one of shipping, and has to be judged in the light of all other urgent needs of the United Nations.

DELHI'S EFFORTS

The Central Government of India has been actively concerned from the first signs of possible dangers to the food situation. As far back as April 1942, it inaugurated a 'Grow More Food' campaign, which brought eight million new acres under food crops last year and will bring 12 million this year. In a situation in which the difficulty was mainly, though not entirely, one of distribution, its efforts have been primarily directed to securing grain from surplus areas to meet the needs of areas in deficit. In the six months since last April—as against the normal annual intake of 350,000 tons—a total of 375,000 tons of rice or other food grains have thus been delivered on Government account to Bengal by rail or coastal shipping from other Provinces. During September, the deliveries were 72,000 tons. Using its special wartime powers the Central Government without invading the primary responsibility of the Provincial Governments has established in all areas most affected its own regional Food Commissioners who report, advise and convey instructions.

WHERE FAMINE STALKS

It is largely thanks to its exertions that what might have been a situation of widespread serious distress has been confined to Bengal, Cochin, Travancore and parts of Deccan.

In dealing with the situation, the Central Government has been faced with the reluctance of producing Provinces to part with supplies and in particular with the necessity of persuading them that they need no longer harbour doubts as to the manner in which supplies sent to Bengal would be utilized. The Centre has also afforded direct financial help to the Bengal Government in meeting the heavy costs of relief amounting to not far of two million pounds and of grain purchase.

The Bengal Government are responsible to the Bengal Legislature for the administration of the Province including the feeding of the people faced with a poor harvest in 1942-43. The Ministry then in office apparently judged that they could get through without outside assistance. Earlier this year when serious difficulties developed the present Ministry's first concern was to feed Calcutta.

SITUATION IN CALCUTTA

I understand that there has never been actually insufficient grain in Calcutta to feed its normal population and that there is now a reserve of one month's supply.

But prices soared beyond the reach of the poorest elements, whose numbers have been swelled by many thousands of refugees from hardhit districts outside.

Under the stimulus of Sir Thomas Rutherford's long experience of Provincial and district administration, the Ministers have since tackled the problem of distribution in other areas of the Province. They are distributing food from 2,600 free kitchens established by the Government and from many others subsidised by them; 13,00,000 persons are being fed daily in this way.

The problem of destitutes in Calcutta and elsewhere is being tackled by the opening of relief camps.

The Government of Bengal are also, with the aid of the Government of India's adviser, working out a system of individual rationing for Calcutta, which is to come into operation before the end of the next month.

The efforts of the Bengal Ministry to deal with the crisis have not been rendered easier by the vehemence of local party and communal feeling, and it can only be hoped that the realisation of the gravity of the situation will lead to a greater measure of co-operation by all concerned.

"REASONABLE CHANCE TO MINISTRY"

While His Majesty's Government will not hesitate to take, or to authorise the Government of India to take, whatever measures may be essential to restore the situation, *it would only be in accordance with our principles, even in such a crisis as the present, to give to the Government and the Legislature to which the primary and immediate responsibility in this matter has been entrusted, a reasonable chance of fulfilling that responsibility with such aid as both the Government of India and His Majesty's Government here can afford them."*—Reuter.

PLEA FOR COMMONS DEBATE

Earl Winterton (Conservative) asked: In view of the conflicting statements which have been made about the position in India, about people dying in streets and injury which may be done to our war effort by misleading and mischievous statements, will Mr. Amery earnestly consider giving the House an opportunity of discussing this matter so that he may make a fuller statement explaining where the responsibility really lies.

Mr. Amery replied: These things can be arranged through usual channels.

Earl Winterton: But will Mr. Amery express himself in favour of such a debate on the matter, which must surely concern this House in some respects.

Mr. Graham White (Liberal) asked. Can Mr. Amery assure the House that whatever the difficulties may be which he mentions in the course of his statement, the absence of a sufficient quantity of food shall not be the source of prolonging the present state of affairs.

Mr. Amery: We shall do everything in our power to put an end to the present state of affairs.

DEMAND FOR INQUIRY

Sir John Wardlaw Milne (Conservative) asked: When this crisis is over and food prices are back to something like the normal, will His Majesty's Government consider asking the Government of India to set up an inquiry into the causes of this? In view of the widespread reports that there has been no hoarding of foodstuffs by cultivators, but that hoarding has been entirely by people of other classes, including even action taken by Government officials, will Mr. Amery consider the desirability of asking the Government of India to set up an inquiry when this crisis is over?

Mr. Amrey replied: I would not be disposed to accept the statement which Sir John Wardlaw Milne has made.

Mr. Vernon Bartlett (Independent) asked: Would it not be possible and advisable to draw on military food supplies for the time being on the understanding that these would be replenished as soon as food ships arrive?

Mr. Amery answered: The military have already been most helpful both in respect of milk and food and in other ways.

SPECULATORS HOLD UP RICE?

Mr. Boothby (Conservative): What steps have been taken to get rice into Bengal; can Mr. Amery say what truth there is in the statement in the Press that rice is being deliberately held up in other Provinces by speculators?

Mr. Amery: Every effort is being made to get rice into Bengal from other provinces and the figures I have mentioned include considerable quantities of rice.

Mr. Shinwell (Labour) asked: Is Mr. Amery satisfied that the measures he has outlined are adequate for the purpose, and as regards the provision of foodships have we not been informed that there is plenty of shipping available, and could not some be provided for this purpose?

Mr. Amery: I shall certainly not be satisfied until the situation is retrieved. As regards shipping, I think the House is well aware of all difficulties of the problem in connection with military operations.

KNOX AT IT AGAIN

Maj-Gen. Sir Alfred Knox asked: If it is true, as Mr. Amery stated, that one of the causes of the famine in Bengal is lack of foresight shown by the Government of Bengal, is it not a fact that the responsibility for this state of things rests on those members of Parliament who supported the passing of the Government of India Act of 1935, which handed over powers to a Government which has been unable to carry them out?

STATUTORY PRICE CONTROL OF FOODGRAINS NOT POSSIBLE

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12.

The four-day session of the Fourth Food Conference commences here from to-morrow.

The main fight, I understand, would be round the proposal of the Gregory Committee for the fixation of statutory prices of foodgrains.

Well-informed circles here, however, believe, no fixation of statutory prices would be possible or practicable till the Bengal situation improved and foodgrain reserve as recommended by the Gregory Committee is actually created. In other words the statutory price control of foodgrains is not regarded possible at least for the next three months.

BENGAL GOVERNOR LEAVES DELHI

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12: His Excellency the Governor of Bengal, has left Delhi.—A. P.

GERMAN DNIEPER LINE CRACKING

Red Army Marches For Final Assault On Gomel

LONDON, Oct. 12.

Soviet hammer blows are to-day cracking open the last defences of Gomel, vital hinge holding together the whole German front in Russia, according to latest Reuter messages.

Russian troops after forcing the whole length of the Sozh river are fighting their way into the heart of this great fortress after capturing the suburb of Novobelitse, 3 miles to the east. Gomel is the last German stronghold east of Pripet Marshes. If it falls, it will be hard for the Germans to prevent their middle Dnieper and White Russia fronts from splitting apart. Von Kluge is already showing signs of shifting the main strength of his "Fatherland Line" defences in White Russia to points still nearer Polish and Baltic borders.

South of Gomel the whole defences of the German Dnieper line show signs of cracking, cables Reuter's staff correspondent in Moscow. A hundred miles ahead of the Russian armies, Hitler's Rumanian allies are abandoning the next great river defence line and uncovering approaches to the Balkans.

FINAL ASSAULT ON GOMEL

German torch-bearers are to-day pushing through Gomel "scorching" the town as the Red army is massed for a final assault. Soviet bombers have begun softening up bombardment of German positions across the river Sozh while Red air force bombers pound escape roads to the west.

After heavy losses on the Nevel front, the Germans have been forced to throw in army clerks and other rear unit troops in a bid to hold up Russian onslaughts.

THREAT TO KIEV

The threat to the German garrison inside Kiev is growing. Soviet bridgeheads north and south of the City are being rapidly widened while the main Russian forces are massing immediately opposite the city. Everything points to early liberation of the Ukrainian capital as forecast in yesterday's "Pravda".

SOVIET CONSUL-GENERAL RECALLED

PRETORIA, Oct. 12: The Soviet Consul-General to South Africa, M. Nikolai Demianov has been recalled to Moscow. He is expected to leave as soon as travel accommodation is available.—Reuter.

BRITISH FORCES IN AZORES

Churchill On Wartime Deal With Portugal

WESTMINSTER, Oct. 12.

Mr. Churchill announced in the Commons to-day that the Portuguese Government had agreed to the British request for certain facilities in the Azores to provide better protection for merchant shipping in the Atlantic.

The arrangement was a temporarily one. British forces would be withdrawn from the Azores at the end of the hostilities. Britain would furnish essential military and other supplies to the Portuguese in the Azores.

Nothing in the agreement affects the continued desire of the Portuguese Government to continue the policy of neutrality on the mainland and thus maintain the zone of peace in the Iberian Peninsula.

Commander Sir Archibald Southby (Conservative) asked if an opportunity would be taken to draw the attention of the Government of Southern Ireland to this matter and Mr. Ivor Thomas (Labour) asked whether if Germany should regard the treaty as an hostile act it would be made known that the fullest assistance would be given by us to Portugal.

Mr. Churchill said he was not prepared to add anything to his statement.—Reuter.

NEW YORK: A message from Lisbon says, that the new situation does not necessarily mean that Portugal will enter the war.

An 'Associated Press' message from Berne states that Allied warships are policing the waters of Azores according to a reliable source.—Reuter.

TOKYO: The Japanese News Agency says that the Japanese Foreign Office to-day denied that Japan had issued an ultimatum to Portugal. "The meeting between the Japanese Ambassador Mario Morishima and the Portuguese Prime Minister Dr. Antonio de Olivera Salazar in Lisbon last Thursday centred on a few pending problems between the two Governments and was within the limits of diplomatic negotiations" said the Agency quoting Foreign Office sources.

The Paris radio says that an official denial has been issued in Tokyo of reports that Portugal has demanded withdrawal of Japanese troops from Timor.

ATTACK ON POLICE OFFICIALS

Villagers Armed With Lathis Snatch Away Revolver

LUCKNOW, Oct. 12.

Sub-Inspector Man Bahadur Singh, Station Officer Achalganj Police Station, Unao District, received serious injuries when a police party, headed by the sub-Inspector was attacked by villagers, according to a report received from Unao.

It is stated that while the sub-Inspector, along with three constables, was proceeding to the village of Targaon to investigate a complaint against a party of villagers, the latter, armed with lathis, attacked him. The sub-Inspector pulled out his revolver and fired two shots but was overpowered by his assailants and his revolver snatched away. The villagers, after inflicting injuries on the three constables, gave several lathi blows to the sub-Inspector, and believing him to be dead left the scene.

The police have arrested four of the wanted men and recovered the sub-Inspector's revolver.—A. P.

Full Bench For "Tribune" Contempt Case

LAHORE, Oct. 12

A Full Bench consisting of the Chief Justice and Messrs. Justices Tejsingh and Munir has been constituted to hear the Contempt of Court Case against the "Tribune", on October 18.—U. P.

63 Committed To Sessions

BENARES, Oct. 11.

Mr. Ramlagan Singh, first class Magistrate of Benares, committed to the Sessions to-day 63 persons out of 104 who stood charged under various sections of the D. I. R. and I. P. C. in what is known as the "Dhanjpur murder, loot and arson case"—one of the offshoots of the August disturbances. Two accused persons died while the case was pending, four have been discharged by the trying Magistrate and two have turned approvers. The police had arrested 70 persons when the case was taken up and 34 were absconding. Five absconders who have since been arrested will be tried afresh.—A. P.

NASIK ARREST

NASIK: Mr. Bhajekar was arrested for delivering a speech in contravention of an order prohibiting public meetings without the District Magistrates permission. Two other persons were also arrested.—United Press.

GANGADHARRAO DESPANDE IN CITY

BOMBAY, Oct. 12.

Mr. Gangadharrao Deshpande, Karnataka leader, who was released unconditionally from the Nasik Road Central Prison for reasons of health, has arrived at Bombay. He is suffering from marked enlargement of prostrate glands. Dr. G. V. Deshmukh who examined Mr. Deshpande twice has advised him complete rest. Dr. Deshmukh has commenced treatment preliminary to an operation. Mr. Deshpande leaves for Belgaum to-morrow.

Madras Bombed

Enemy Plane Destroyed In Ceylon

NEW DELHI, October 12.

According to an India Command Joint War Communique:— An enemy reconnaissance aircraft approached Madras last night, and a few bombs were dropped. No military damage has been reported, but there were a few civilian casualties.

Last night, an enemy aircraft also approached the East coast of Ceylon, but was, destroyed without dropping any bombs.

No Move To Evacuate Madras

Information reaching New Delhi late to-night is that Madras was bombed by a single Japanese reconnaissance plane.

There were very few civilian casualties and the morale of the civilian population was unaffected.

Business in the city continues as usual and there has been no move on the part of any section of the population to evacuate the city.

MADRAS REPORT

MADRAS: A Press communique issued by the Madras Government at 13-00 hours to-day states:—"There was a short alert in Madras last night. A few bombs were dropped and very slight casualties were caused. No damage was done."—A. P.

SHARES MARKET CLOSED

(From Our Correspondent)

MADRAS, Oct. 12.

Madras Shares market remained closed to-day.

Lord Louis Mountbatten

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12

Lord Louis Mountbatten continued his conference on plans for the organisation of the South-east Asia Command. In this connection it is understood that in the near future, he will have close consultations with China's Military and Political Chiefs.

Lord Louis Mountbatten was received last night by the Viceroy. Owing to the Viceroy's absence at Simla this was their first meeting since Lord Louis Mountbatten arrived in New Delhi to take over the South-east Asia Command.—A. P.

ALLIES BOMB BURMA TARGETS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12.

Yesterday morning and afternoon R A. F. dive-bombers attacked enemy troop positions and supply dumps in the Kalemyo area, says an India Command Joint War Communique

Vengeances dive-bombed Natchaung on the Myittha river. Mohawks attacked troop positions west of Kalemyo.

Last night by moonlight "Hurricanes" attacked enemy occupied villages on the Mayu Peninsula and rivercraft on the Mayu river and in the Akyab area. From all these operations two of our aircraft are missing.

B-24 heavy bombers of the Tenth U. S. Air Force successfully attacked the Meza river bridge, south-west of Naba junction in Central Burma on October 10. The bridge is on the main line of the Burma railroad between Mandalay and Myitkyina. Our attack dropped one end of the eastern main span into the river and destroyed three of the approach spans.

On the same day, B-25 bombers attacked the Japanese supply point of Pintha, 30 miles south-west of Bhamo.

P-40 fighter-bombers bombed and strafed Japanese installations at Taro and Lakchang Ga in Northern Burma.

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

CANBERRA, Oct. 12: The Department of Information and War Survey gives Australian casualties to August 31 as 61,564.

Of these killed in action and died of wounds, sickness and other causes number 13,908; wounded 14,702; prisoners 20,823; and missing 12,131. Since the outbreak of the war in the South-West Pacific the Allied forces have destroyed 1,539 Japanese aircraft, probably destroyed 493 and damaged 581. Royal Australian Air Force squadrons now number 96.

ALLIED DRIVE TOWARDS MADANG

Liberators made 2,400 miles round flight from Australia to attack the Japanese held Macassar in the Dutch Celebes, it is officially announced here.

One Japanese ship was either sunk or seriously damaged and a second set on fire by Allied aerial bombardment in the vicinity of New Ireland.

Australian troops at Ramu continued their advance towards Madang.

LONDON, Oct. 12: The Vichy News Agency reports from Tokyo that Princess Shigero, the 17-year-old eldest child of the Emperor of Japan, will be married to-morrow to Prince Morihiro, heir of the Higashi Kuni family in a collateral line to the Imperial House.—Reuter.

Tokyo Worried Over Impending Air Raids

WASHINGTON: According to a report of the Korean National Front Federation a special A. R P. Delegation from Tokyo has arrived in Berlin to study Berlin's A. R. P. work. The report adds that the Japanese Government have sent this special delegation at this juncture of the war prompted by the fear of impending Allied Air Raids over Japanese cities. The delegation is headed by General Tauki, the former Japanese Attache in London.—India Press Service.

HITLER TURNS DOWN HENCHMEN'S DEMANDS FOR PEACE

Double Danger To Axis Troops In Italy

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 12: A demand by Dr. Goebbels and Herr Himmler for a separate peace with Britain and America has caused a split among Germany's leaders during their recent policy conference according to the Berne correspondent of the "Svenska Dagbladet."

Marshal Goering and the army group urged a separate peace with Russia.

Hitler decided that no action of any sort was possible before the eastern front was stabilised.

A double danger to Gen. Kesselring's armies is swiftly developing as Gen. Montgomery's Eighth Army presses to north and west after the victory in the battle of Termoli.

The Cairo Radio reports both the Fifth and the Eighth Armies have gained further ground despite very fierce German resistance and rain badly hampering operations. In Northwest of Capua a violent battle is in progress.

The German-controlled Paris radio said: "British and American troops on the Volturno river have opened up a fierce artillery barrage indicating that a large-scale battle is imminent."

ROUTINE DAY

Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—

To-day's communique states:—"There was artillery activity and patrolling only on both the army fronts during the last 24 hours.

AIR: Yesterday medium bombers of the North-West African Air Forces attacked the airfield at Garitza on the island of Corfu. During the night of October 10/11, motor truck convoys north of Rome and near Frosinone were attacked and Cassino and Mondragone were bombed. On October 10, heavy bombers attacked airfields at Heraklion in Crete and Calato in Rhodes. 'Lightnings' attacked the airfield at Anti-Machia on the island of Cos.

ITALIAN FLEET IN ALLIED HANDS

Mr. Winston Churchill told the Commons to-day that the major part of the Italian Fleet totalling over 100 warships of all categories is in Allied hands. "This includes" he added, "five out of the six battleships in commission and eight out of eleven cruisers. More than 150,000 tons of merchant ships have so far been accounted for in ports under Allied control. Mr. Churchill gave the above answer in reply to a question.—Reuter.

German Vandalism At Naples

NEW YORK, Oct. 12: The New York "Times" reports from Naples that Germans deliberately set fire to the precious and extensive library of the Royal Society in Naples and the archieves of the University of Naples. Every one of 200,000 books of the library is now a heap of ashes. —Reuter.

THEY NEED FOOD

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RUSH FOOD TO BENGAL

Indian Chambers' Federation Plea To Govt.

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12.

Expressing their concern over the food situation, the Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, in a communication to the Government of India point out that the critical situation has arisen in Bengal because of the Government's failure to move adequate foodgrains in time. They, therefore, suggest utilisation of various alternative forms of transport. Foodgrains can be sent up to Patna, Benares or Moghul Sarai, and from there can be carried by country-craft. The Committee have also suggested that at least for two or three weeks nothing but foodgrains should be moved to Bengal, and all movements of other commodities should be completely stopped. Even after this emergency period of two or three weeks, foodgrains should be given the highest priority, in order that adequate quantities of foodgrains continue to reach the famine-stricken areas in Bengal.

The Committee fear that a very serious situation might also develop in other parts of the country as well, if proper care and adequate steps are not taken in advance. They stress the imperative need of importing foodgrains from abroad for meeting the dificiency in civilian requirements, as the difficulties of obtaining shipping facilities are now less than what they were before.

SUBSIDISE AGRICULTURE

In regard to the "Grow More Food Campaign", the Committee point to the United Kingdom Government's Army Agricultural Scheme, whereby the forces in that country during the time of inactivity are drafted to agriculture and other measures adopted there, and recommend to the Government of India, subsidising agriculture on a fairly wide scale, preservation of the cattle wealth of the country, and import of fertilisers instead of luxury goods, such as, whisky, toilet articles, etc.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

LATEST FROM AZORES

LONDON, Oct. 12: From Reuter's naval correspondent—It can be assumed that Allied naval vessels have now reached the Azores and that personnel have been put ashore.

SPAIN'S NEUTRALITY

MADRID: Gen. Franco announced that Spain will continue to maintain vigilant neutrality.—Reuter.

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CITY WOMEN'S DRIVE FOR BENGAL RELIEF

An organised drive for the collection of funds for the relief of distress in Bengal and other famine areas in the country was launched in Bombay by the National Council of Women in India, on Tuesday.

Already on Sunday, women volunteers had attacked the cinema-going public at every theatre in the city and had exacted a heavy toll—as willingly given as it was asked for, in the name of suffering humanity.

On Tuesday, the city was divided into convenient areas and every area was systematically tackled. It is understood that the response from the public was very encouraging. The collection was kept going till 7 p.m. At the close of the day the boxes were deposited in the Bank of India, where they will be opened and the money counted in due course. Donations, however, will continue to be accepted with thanks at the office of the National Council of Women in India, Dinshaw Building, Owendon Road.

The Bengal Provincial branch of the Council in co-operation with other women's organisations, is already running two Relief Centres in Bengal, where children and expectant mothers are fed and nursed. The present drive is intended to finance their clothing, medical and other needs.

Although the collections made in the course of the day are primarily intended for Bengal, it is understood that other distress areas will not be neglected and the Council will make allotments as and when funds are available.

75 Deaths On Monday

CALCUTTA: Two hundred and forty sick destitutes were admitted on Monday, to different hospitals in Calcutta and Suburbs; 75 deaths occurred in hospitals and 111 such persons were discharged during the day.

LEAGUE LEADERS IN CALCUTTA

Nawab Mohamed Ismail Khan, Chairman of the Muslim League Civil Defence Committee, Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan, Honorary Secretary of the All-India Muslim League, and Mr. Syed Zakir Ali, Secretary of the Civil Defence Committee, arrived in Calcutta to-day.

After a stay of three days in Calcutta the party will make a tour of affected areas in the Province. Nawab Mohamed Ismail Khan and Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan are then expected to return to Calcutta and hold further discussions here before leaving Bengal. The Working Committee of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League meets to-morrow evening. —A. P.

Natal Inndians To Start Bengal Relief Fund

DURBAN, Oct. 11.

The Natal Indian Congress has decided that the fund it inaugurated to relieve distress in Bengal should be from the whole of South Africa, not only Natal. The Acting High Commissioner for India, Mr. D. Muir will be the Chairman of the Fund.

It has been decided that sending of money instead of food will be a more expeditious relief measure because of difficulty in getting shipping space.—Reuter.

Liverpool Indians' Appeal To Br. Public

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 11

An appeal to the people of Britain to take up the case of their brother members of the British Empire in distressed and famine-stricken Bengal was made to-day by Liverpool Indian Society and leaders of Indian community on the Mersey side. The appeal pleaded for a measure of practical support on the lines of that so generously granted by the British people to war victims of China and Russia and urged Government intervention to bring about an early alleviation of the situation in Bengal.

Exports Of Foodgrains From Sind

KARACHI, Oct. 12.

It is learnt that the Central Government has fixed the full quota of foodgrains to be exported from Sind to the deficit areas during the year at 2,75,000 tons.

The quota comprises 1,50,000 tons of wheat; 55,000 tons of wheat products; 60,000 tons of rice, the remaining being quantities of other cereals.

Out of this quota 1,99,000 tons of wheat, 15,000 tons of wheat products and the full quota of rice, gram and dal have already been despatched to the receiving areas which include Bombay, Madras, Cochin, Travancore, Mysore and Bengal.

It is further learnt that no food grains are likely to be exported from Sind until the new crop comes into the market.

A prominent member of the grains syndicate stated that during the coming harvest a bumper crop of rice is expected.

He also indicated that rationing in the province will be introduced after the new crop has been received that is towards the end of next month.—A. P.

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Standard Cloth Distribution

A further allotment of 53,600,000 yards of standard cloth for Bombay Province has been made for the period from August to January, 1944, under the Standard Cloth Distribution Scheme.

The quota allotted to Bombay for the first two quarters, ended April, 1943, amounted to 4,550,000 yards. As this was found most inadequate, the allotment for the quarter ended July, 1943, was raised to 8,040,000 yards.

More than 5,100,000 yards have been despatched to districts and about 1,670,000 yards had actually been distributed by the end of June.

Besides the Provincial Advisory Committee constituted to advise the Government, District Magistrates have been asked to set up non-official committees to advise them on distribution. Distribution of the cloth has been arranged through official and non-official agencies, such as Fair Price Shops, Taluka Development Associations, Rural Development Boards and Co-operative Institutions.

As supplies are increasing District Magistrates have been asked to utilise the services of retailers for the purposes of distribution and the standard cloth will be sold freely to all up to a limit of 15 yards a person a year.

Muslim Radicals' Request To Jinnah

LAHORE, Oct. 11

It is reliably understood that some Muslim Leaguers belonging to the Radical Group in the Punjab Muslim League have requested Mr. Jinnah to make solemn effort to save Bengal from famine by personally convening a conference of all Muslim League Premiers in provinces and impressing on them the seriousness of the situation. Mr. Jinnah has been requested to persuade the Premiers to co-operate and co-ordinate.—Orient Press.

KARACHI, Oct. 11.

A press note says that no person intending to visit Afghanistan is allowed to take more than a sum of Rs. 100 (Afghani) either into, or from, Afghanistan. Visitors requiring additional funds could arrange with branches of the Afghan National Bank at Chaman and Peshawar, to obtain drafts payable in Afghanistan.—Orient Press.

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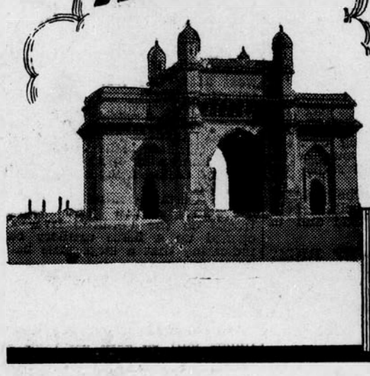

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Local Engagements

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Will be held at Mazdaznan Hall (opposite Churchgate Station) on "True Religion and its relation to Customs" at 6-15 p.m. to-day.

MAJLIS-E-ITTIHAD-O-TARAQQI: A meeting of the Education Committee of the Majlis will be held to-day at the office of the Majlis at 6-30 p.m. to consider the proposal of conducting night schools in the Muslims areas.

GHATKOPAR STUDENTS' UNION: Under the auspices of the Ghatkopar Students' Union, Shardustava will be celebrated to-day at 9-30 p.m. in the Ramji Assar Vidyalaya Hall.

BOMBAY SPIRITUAL CENTRE: Under the auspices of the above, there will be an interesting talk on 'Jnaneshwari' by Sri D. V. Sabnis, to-day at 6-30 p.m.

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MUSLIM AMBULANCE SOCIETY

The Joint Hon. Secretary of the Muslim Ambulance Society writes:—

The Muslim Ambulance Society thanks all those philanthropic gentlemen who have shown their readiness to help us in our endeavour to assist the Bengal famine refugees, who are in Bombay. The local authorities have now made arrangements for these unfortunate people. We would, therefore, not require any monetary help in this connection.

EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY OF RATION CARDS

The Ration cards and Ration Permits issued in the City of Bombay bear coupons upto the 24th week which ends on the 16th of October. From Sunday the 17th October the 25th week begins. Ration Cards and Ration Permits bearing coupons from the 25th week are being issued at present; but as at the time of distribution of the ration cards an individual check is being made it would not be possible to finish distribution of ration cards to all individuals before the 17th of October. The validity of the present ration cards is therefore being extended to the 25th week and the 26th week.

Rationing Order Amended

The Government of Bombay has amended the order calling for weekly declarations of stocks of various commodities reducing the quantity of cotton seeds required to be so declared from 100 bags (of 5 quarters each) or more to 25 maunds (of 82-2/7 lb. each) or more.

CARDS FOR HOTELS

Owners of hotels, boarding houses and other establishments who have not received their new foodgrains and sugar ration permits can obtain them from the Hotels and Establishments branch of the office of the Controller of Rationing, Royal Institute of Science Building, Fort, Bombay, on any working day between 10-30 a.m. and 5-30 p.m.

NOT ISSUING CASH MEMOS

Action has been taken against Hirji Raishi, proprietor of Ration Shop No. 480, for not issuing cash memos to customers though he was instructed to do so. From his deposit of Rs. 250 kept with the Government of Bombay, Rs. 100 has been forfeited and he has been ordered to make good the amount.

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Municipal Bye-Elections

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Congress Candidates Lead: Eight Arrests For Alleged Impersonation

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Thirty-five per cent of civic voters went to polls to-day for the Municipal bye-election for three seats in the two constituencies—the Girgaum—Chowpatty and the Kharatalao—Khumbharwada. Polling lacked momentum in the morning but brisken up towards the closing hours. There were cases of impersonation at the booths, as usual, both at the Gowalia Tank and the Northbrook Gardens. Pick-pockets made hay while canvassers of candidates and voters were seized with election fever. Frenzied scenes marked the closing hour at Gowalia Tank where the Hindu Sabha and the Congress vied with each other in reaching a higher point in the skies with their banners. Perched on the roof of their respective booths, the Congress volunteer and Hindu Sabha volunteer hoisted their banners on improvised masts but the competition was suddenly cut short when the heavens seemed to burst with thunder and lightning, followed by a downpour. Vocal chords in every booth had a free play during the polling hours and showed distinct signs of collapse at the closing hour.

AT GOWALIA TANK

Just over 7,000 voters out of a total of 21,600 attended the polls at the Gowalia Tank. The polling booths lacked the usual worked-up heat and enthusiasm mainly due to the absence of the normal complement of taxis and cars which had given place to hack victorias. Many citizens used the commoner's vehicle—the tram and others even came by foot to the booth.

The Congress was pitched against the Hindu Mahasabha in the Girgaum-Chowpatty Ward. The Congress election appeal urged voters to select Mr. Nagindas T. Master and Mr. S. K. Patil for the two seats. Each voter was requested to divide his two votes equally between Mr. Master and Mr. Patil. The Hindu Sabha candidate was Mr. K. H. Dhamdhere. The other candidates in the field were Mr. Goverdhandas Thakarsi and Mr. Manecklal B. Vora.

At the end of the day, polling at the Gowalia Tank indicated a distinct advantage for the Congress candidates.

Polling for the one seat of Kharatalao-Kumbharwada constituency was dull. Though the contest between Mr. Y. J. Meherally, ex-Mayor of the Bombay Municipal Corporation and a Congress candidate and Mr. Gulamali Jamal Mistri, a building contractor and a nominee of the Muslim League, appeared keen, voters who came to poll were not many.

Brisk canvassing by the League volunteers and the male and female volunteers on behalf of the Congress were the feature of the day on the grounds of the Northbrook Garden where the polling took place.

Seven persons were arrested and marched to the Maharbourie Police Station for alleged impersonation. None of them was a Congress voter.

Mr. M. Harris, the editor of "Ajmal" was one of the four contestants for the seat. His agents canvassed for Mr. Meherally who is now in jail.

Mr. Taherbhai Mohomadali, a merchant, was also a candidate for the seat and his booth was comparatively free from bustle and noise, common in the Congress and the League booths.

The total number of voters for the constituency is 14,511 out of whom over 7,000 are Muslims and over 6,000 Hindus.

ALLEGED STOCKING OF RICE BY TURF CLUB

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The case against Major C. C. Gulliland, Secretary of Royal Western India Turf Club, Bombay, who stood charged with failure to comply with the order to declare the 72 bags of rice held by him on February 14, 21 and 27 respectively, came up to-day before Mr. K. J. Khandalawala, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court.

Mr. F. J. Coltman instructed by Mr. Caroe of Messrs. Craigie, Blunt and Caroe defended the accused while Mr. N. K. Petigara assisted by Mr. M. G. Vyavaharkar appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. Coltman arguing on behalf of the accused stated that the Turf Club has co-operated to the best of their abilities with the Government. The Turf Club is not a trading Concern has it about it any profit-making atmosphere. The Secretary has nothing to do with the scheme of the working of the shop. The Secretary does not run the Turf Club. Should he be convicted just because he took a little interest in the management of the Club? It is not consistent with the principles of British Justice. The Secretary does not hold account books. It is the Club that holds it. Major Gulliland is not de facto owner of the Club. The Race Course is not an individual concern. It is under the control of the Club. Major Gulliland further was absent from November 1942 till January 1943. He had no knowledge as to what transpired and the requirements to be complied with. It is perfectly monstrous to convict an innocent man who is only having a general supervision of the management.

Mr. Petigara, Public Prosecutor on behalf of the Government producing all correspondence that transpired between the Government and the Turf Club stated that authorization of permits are in the name of the Secretary and is deemed that the affairs and management of the Turf Club to be within the knowledge of Major Gulliland. A letter written to the Government in respect of rice on January 18, and signed by the Secretary shows that he is interested in the management. Ignorance of law is no excuse. He is the person who is controlling the Club.

Major Gulliland stated that he had no knowledge of the stock possessed as he was out of Bombay. Hence he is not responsible.

The case is adjourned to November 1.

Mysterious Municipal Store At Karachi

KARACHI, Oct. 12.

A sensation was caused at the Municipal meeting yesterday when the Corporation's Representative on the Water Works and Drainage Board informed the House that he had learnt from the Government Engineer in charge of the municipal water works that the latter had come across a store of municipal goods valued at several thousands of rupees which was nowhere listed in the municipal stores registers.

Some of the members moved an adjournment of the House in order to visit the socalled mystery store immediately but the motion was lost. The chief officer assured the House that he would seal up the premises in question.—A. P.

The period of supersession of Nadiad Municipality has been extended to February 29 to give time for preparations for the holding of general elections to the new Municipal Board.

Stay Granted

Suit Against Mullaji Saheb Of Dawoodi Bohras

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Coyajee)

Amiruddin Salebhoy Tyabji ..... Plaintiff

Versus

The Mullaji Saheb of the Dawoodi Bohras ..... Defendant.

This was a Notice of Motion taken out by the defendant for stay of proceedings pending the decision of the Privy Council on appeal from the Judicial Commissioner of Nagpur who held that the Mullaji Saheb had an absolute power of ex-communication over Dawoodi Bohras.

The plaintiff alleged that he had been wrongfully ex-communicated on 25th September, 1937, for having abetted his son's marriage without the permission of the Mullaji Saheb. He filed the present suit in May, 1942, for a declaration that the ex-communication was void and for Rs. 50,000 by way of damages.

The present application for stay was made under Section 10 of the Code of Civil Procedure under which it was enacted that no Court should proceed with the trial of a suit in which the matter in issue was also directly and substantially in issue in a previously instituted suit between the same parties.

In delivering judgment which had been reserved, his Lordship stated that the matter in controversy in both the suits was whether or not the power of ex-communication was at all vested in the Mullaji Saheb as the "dai-ul-mutlak", and if it was so vested, whether it was absolute or could be called into question as improperly exercised. His Lordship went on to observe that the previous suit was a representative one between those who challenged the right of the Mullaji Saheb and those who supported it. His Lordship therefore held that Section 10 applied and therefore ordered the present suit to be stayed pending the decision of the Privy Council in the previous suit.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha, Sir Jamshedji Kanga and Mr. V. F. Taraporewalla instructed by Messrs. Little and Co. appeared for the defendant in support of the Notice of Motion.

Mr. C. K. Daphtary instructed by Messrs. Wadia Ghandy and Co. appeared for the plaintiff to oppose it.

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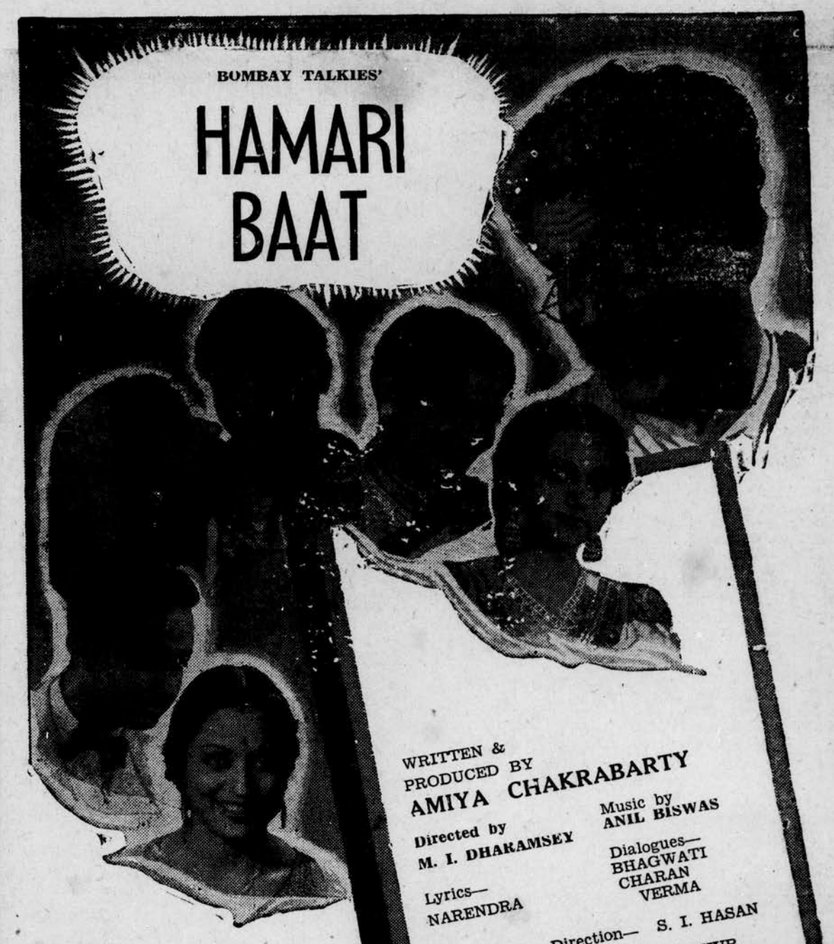

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All-India Weather

POONA, Oct. 12: The following is the weather-chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at nine hours on 8/10/43:—

Allahabad 85 71 0, Bombay 87 78 0, Calcutta 93 77 0.5, Cawrpore 94 67 0, Cuttack 91 76 0.2, Darjeeling 65 53 0, Delhi 96 67 0, Dehra Dun 85 59 0, Jacobabad 104 65 0, Karachi 85 71 0, Lahore 98 64 0, Lucknow 94 69 0, Madras 76 70 0.8, Nagpur 91 73 0.3, Patna 94 79 0, Peshawar 93 62 0, Shillong 71 53 T, Simla 69 54 0—A. P.

"Swaraj is mu birth-right and I will have it".

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

UNENDING TRAGEDY

In response to the appeal of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas for wide publicity to Gandhiji's article or "Real War Effort", published in "Harijan" in January, 1942, we reproduced relevant extracts from the article in our columns on Monday. Sir Purshotamdas's appeal was made primarily to Government but we are afraid they will not respond to it. For that very reason the article deserves to be given all possible publicity by the Press. Gandhiji's general suggestions are that there should be rigorous economy in the consumption of food, that grain-dealers should be persuaded, particularly by Congressmen, to be content with as little profit as possible and that villagers must be induced to grow more food wherever and whenever possible. Those suggestions are not new or novel but Sir Purshotamdas's point seems to be that they will elicit good response at the present juncture if they are known to have been made by Gandhiji. One of the most serviceable specific suggestions is that special efforts should be made to cultivate bananas, potatoes, beet-root, yam, 'suran' and pimpkin which are easily grown and take the place of bread in time of need. Sound as these suggestions are, Government are not likely to give publicity to them as emanating from Gandhiji. It will be a great thing if they adopt them and persuade the public to give effect to them. Whether they do so or not, Congress workers and others should now concentrate their best efforts on an intensive campaign of food economy and food production.

Besides commending to Government Gandhiji's article Sir Purshotamdas quotes some facts and figures to explain the root cause of the present distress. He quotes, for example, Major-General Sir John Megaw, Director of the Indian Medical Service, as having pointed out in 1933 that at least 80 million people of India were perpetually hungry. This is a well-known fact. Decades ago Sir Charles Elliot said: "Half the agriculturist population do not know from one half-year's end to another what it is to have a full meal." Similarly, relying on official figures Gokhale stated: "From 60,000,000 to 70,000,000 of the people in India do not know what it is to have their hunger satisfied once in a year." Sir Purshotamdas also quotes the Director of Health as having stated that the peasantry of Bengal are in large proportions taking to a dietary on which even rats could not live for more than a few weeks. Well, a number of them are now dying like rats.

Figures of deaths from starvation in Bengal continue to appear in the papers with sickening regularity. It is clear that only a few deaths reach the press. Many who die from disease caused by malnutrition are not included in the starvation mortality. And it appears that cholera has set in in several places. Suicides are also fast increasing, one of the saddest stories stating how four members of a cobbler family died throwing themselves into a well one after another. Altogether, the situation in Bengal is too terrible to be contemplated with equanimity. And yet the one man who, more than any other in the world, can galvanise the whole nation for relief and production work is held a close prisoner, none being allowed to speak to him even about relief measures. Can folly further go?

Fully Expected

The Japs have not been slow to react to the arrival in India of Lord Louis Mountbatten and the change in the weather. Anticipating an intensification of Allied activity they have, as the recent India command communique says, increased their patrol activity on the Burma-Assam front. And information has also been received that a solitary Jap plane has dropped a few bombs on Madras. Neither of these reactions comes to us as a surprise. Even the bombing of Madras has been fully expected. But Jap air-raids must be seen and considered in their proper, realistic perspective. In wars air raids are inevitable and the noteworthy thing is not that the Japs have resumed air activity but that it has been resumed so late.

All through the monsoon the Americans and the British have been bombing Jap bases in Burma, the Andamans and even Siam without any counter-retaliation by the Japs, which is the most significant proof of the growing strength of the Allies and the growing weakness of the Jap. They simply had not the resources for any offensive action. Now that the South-Eastern front is about to become alive the Japs will have to do something—defensively. They will attempt to bomb all Allied bases from Assam to Ceylon in order to check as far as possible the speed and extent of the impending campaign. But here again their activities will mark their weakness rather than their strength. For raids with half a dozen or a dozen planes are, militarily, negligible, from the standards of operations against Japan —let alone Germany—in the South-West Pacific and even China and Burma.

Test Of Sincerity

Explaining their communique of 11th September imposing certain control measures over vessels of the Indian register, the Government of India tried to make out that the measures were not likely to place these ships at a disadvantage with those on the British register. They pointed out that the ships of the latter class had already been requisitioned by the British Government and were, therefore, already "under a measure of control which is far more stringent than the control which will be exercised through the licensing measures announced by Government". But Mr. Walchand Hirachand promptly retorted: "How false and utterly misleading is this claim is proved beyond a shadow of a doubt, when it is realised that these ships on the British Register under the so-called 'stringent control', have not only been freely and fully placed by the British Ministry of War Transport at the disposal of the British shipping companies, to carry their quota of the coastal trade—control or no control notwithstanding—but they are also encouraged in every way to further dominate the coastal waters at the cost and serious disadvantage of Indian ships." That Mr. Walchand Hirachand expressed the view of all Indian shipping interests is clear from the letter addressed to Government by the Indian Shipping Companies and reproduced in our columns on Monday. If the Government of India sincerely wish to hold the scales even between the Indian ships and the British ships in Indian ccastal waters, they should accept the suggestion to bring all ships, whether they are on the Indian Register or on the British Register, which have been plying in coastal waters, under the control of the Controller of Indian Shipping, appointed by them, and responsible only to them, and then impose equal measures of control on all of them—bearing their respective quota obligations in mind.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Atlantic Battle

Two announcements have lately been made from Britain which are important from the point of view of the Second Front problem. The first relates to the Battle of the Atlantic which has now been resumed. After a lull of four months, German U-boats have reappeared to operate with new methods and new weapons. The latter include a powerful and deadly acoustic-cum-magnetic torpedo which is attracted towards its objective by the steel of its victims. That is why in the recent convoy battle, the loss in escorting naval craft which screen the ships was higher than that in the latter. But the point is that although the new "secret weapon" was confronted for the first time the losses in the convoy were by no means heavy while the U-boats suffered even more than before. It can be confidently assumed that the Battle of the Atlantic will remain well in hand.

Midgets' Good Work

The second announcement is about the attack by midget submarines against the German battleship "Tirpitz" in a Norwegian Ford. Operating 1,000 miles from the nearest British base these midgets penetrated deep into guarded enemy waters and torpedoed the giant battleship for the loss of three of their own. The cost was far from heavy and they did a very good job of work. For if it is true, and the Admiralty is sure of the information, that the damage to the "Tirpitz" is sufficiently severe, she must remain out of service for months. And the "Tirpitz" was the only naval unit of which the Allied had to take any serious account. With the "Tirpitz" safely out of service the British surface fleet can operate free from naval danger. And with the Battle of the Atlantic going in Allied favour aggressive action against Hitler's Western Europe has become easier and more feasible.

Anti-Congress Pamphlet

"Has Congress Failed?" is the title of a booklet written by an anonymous author who styles himself 'a Student of Public Affairs" and recently published by the "Times of India" Press. The book purports to be "a historical survey" of the years 1918-1939 and its object, says the writer, is "to suggest that the cause of Indian freedom has for many years been prejudiced by the mismanagement of the small clique which has throughout dominated the policy and methods of the Indian National Congress." That suggestion is sought to be supported by onesided or twisted facts, the method of presentation throughout being the device of *suppressio veri et suggestio falsi*. A special attempt is made to discredit Gandhiji's politics. India will not be deceived by such propagandist stuff.

A Journalist Honoured

Dr. A. M. da Cunha, editor of the "Heraldo", Nova-Goa was the recipient of a public demonstration on his 80th birthday on 15th July last, on which occasion a commemorative tablet was placed at his residence and he was presented with a volume containing articles from 35 prominent public men of Portuguese India paying eloquent tributes to the life and work of this veteran journalist. The souvenir volume published in honour of Dr. da Cunha is a symposium on journalism. Dr. da Cunha was the editor of the first daily published in Nova-Goa 43 years ago and subsequently founded another daily, the present "Heraldo" of which he is the sole proprietor and which he has been editing for the last 35 years. He is still at his post at the age of 80 and his numerous admirers who write in appreciation of his work refer to the vigour of his pen which has fought many battles in vindication of public rights and helped many causes and particularly emphasize his style of writing which has established a school of clean journalism. Dr. da Cunha has made a large contribution towards Portuguese bibliography the most notable among the books published being his "History of the Evolution of Indo-Portuguese Journalism" and his descriptive and comparative study of ancient and modern India. He belongs to a family of distinguished men who have made valuable contribution to both Portuguese and English Literature. In Bombay his brother, the late Orientalist Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha, wrote the History of Bombay and Basseln which remains a standard book of reference.

An Appeal To South Indians

I am pained very much, as many others must be, when I see that at a time the people in Bengal and Malabar and several other places are in the grip of famine, starvation and disease, the South Indians in Matunga should go about celebrating new "Utsavoms" and spend good money simply for the sake of entertainment. It would have been a wise thing if the same that is being spent for the celebration had been contributed either to the Malabar Cholera Relief Fund or to the cause of Bengal's starving people. It is really a sin against God and the humanity at large that South Indians in Matunga should indulge in concerts and entertainments when their own brothers and sisters are raising their pitiable cries for food.

C. M. DEVAN.

Re-Outbreak Of Cholera In Vile Parle

I have to bring to your notice that unfortunately for the poor villagers of Vile Parle, (Pond) Gauthan, there appears to be every sign of cholera spreading there. Several persons were attacked in the course of a day or two and there were four casualties in the course of the two days. This outbreak is in no small measure due to very inadequate sanitary service. The water cess-pools built by the Municipality near the public village well, pond, Gauthan, are left unattended to for weeks on end. The result is that they overflow and the germs invade the neighbouring areas thus carrying infection far and wide.

I therefore hope you will please treat this matter as urgent and draw the attention of the civic authorities of Vile Parle to this epidemic which menaces to grow, unless immediate measures are taken by them to check it.

Incidentally I may also state that the civic authorities have of late been found to be very indifferent to the sanitary needs of this place. Their usual excuse is want of the necessary equipment, viz., lorries for carrying cess-pool water, etc., want of spare parts for keeping these lorries in a good condition of repair.

Another important point I would stress in this connection is that if this epidemic is allowed to rear its head, it will not be possible to bring it under control, until a heavy toll of life has been taken by it.

G. A. BAPTISTA.

Berhampur's Double Tragedy

Mr. L. N. Sahu, member, servants of India Society and Secretary Orissa Relief Committee, Cuttack, writes:

The situation at Berhampur (Ganjam) which has a population of 45 thousand people, can be imagined from the following few facts.

Sri Shyam Sundar Misra, M. A. member, Servants of India Society and myself came to this town two days ago, and we were requested to visit Purana Berhampur side. There have been 168 deaths recently due to outbreak of malaria in a virulent form. Many are suffering from it now. Practically no house is free.

Secondly, to control Malaria a clinic has been opened for treatment but that cannot cope with the immensity of the problem. The acute food problem plus malaria have caused a serious situation at Berhampur.

Thirdly in Berhampur Taluk there have been many deaths due to starvation. Government report is more than two hundred.

Over and above all these, the influx of starving and hungry people into the town has caused a serious problem. A free kitchen has been opened by the town people for about 1,000 people.

But what about those who cannot come out to sit in the market place for a morsel of food? For such people free doles should be arranged. A list is being prepared. But where is the money?

Situation at Berhampur is only one example of sorrows and sufferings of Orissa. All the four coastal districts of Orissa, namely, Balasore, Cuttack, Puri and Ganjam have been great sufferers.

Orissa having no press to ventilate its grievances to the outside World. But the dumb millions will pray for those who will help them.

Money may be sent to the following address:—

L. N. SAHU.
Member, Servants of India Society,
Secretary, Orissa Relief Committee,
Cuttack.

Ahmedabad Village Industries Depot

We have received a copy of the Catalogue published by Gramo-Oodoga Gandhi Hat. The Hat was founded by Sardar Valabhbhai Patel of Ahmedabad. The catalogues details of articles of daily use manufactured in villages. This Hat was established in 1940 and its yearly sales now total Rs 1,37,129 the booklet contains block prints along with details of prices and is printed in attractive style. At present it sells all kinds of leather goods, brass coloured articles, ivory articles, toys and stationery of different descriptions. The progress attained in a such brief period is praiseworthy and prices quoted include adequate labour charges without any trace of profiteering.

Fr. Attorney Shot Dead

ZURICH, Oct. 12: "The Tribune De Geneve" reports that the French Public Prosecutor M. Lespinasse, State Attorney of Toulouse Law Courts, was shot dead yesterday on his way to mass by a cyclist who escaped.

LONDON, Oct. 12: The German overseas News Agency reports the death at 78 years of age of Prof. Pieter Zeeman, Professor of Physics at the Amsterdam University and winner of the Nobel Prize in 1902.

"The Mess Which Is Bengal"

SYAMAPRASAD'S NEW FOOD DRIVE PLAN

(By D. F. KARAKA, "CHRONICLE" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

CALCUTTA, Oct. 11.

Dr. Shyamprasad Mookerji closely resembles Pt. Vallao Pant, except for his moustache which is less flamboyant. He struck me as undoubtedly able, the sort of man capable of undertaking any big job. In defence of the Huq Ministry of which he was the Finance Minister, Dr. Shyamprasad pointed out that four things stood out very prominently.

(1) The price of rice never went beyond twenty rupees.

(2) That no case of death due to starvation was reported.

(3) That the Huq Ministry made the Government of India accept the position that there would be severe shortage of foodgrains in the rear future.

(4) That the Ministry was never allowed to shape the food policy which was handled exclusively by Governor Herbert, acting with select permanent officials from among the European I.C.S. Key positions in the Food Department were held by Sir John Herbert's chosen Englishmen, a fact which should be stressed, in view of Mr. Amery's remark in the House of Commons that Bengal Government was after all Government of Indian Ministers Mr. Pinnel, I.C.S., was the first Director of Food Supplies, but he quitted the post with nervous breakdown, only to be promoted and shunted elsewhere. After that, said Mr. Mookerji, they brought Mr. Justice Roxborough to the post of Director of Civil Supplies. But, this gentleman, nice as he was, also quitted after a time.

NEED OF ENQUIRY

What stands out very blantantly in this whole mess which is Bengal, is that war needs became an obsession in this province with permanent English officials and with Governor Herbert. This, to my mind, is the crux of the whole situation. Here was the insufficient realisation that the most essential of war needs was the welfare of the common people.

Mr. Mookerji criticised the present Ministry's food drive as psychologically unsound, because of the threat uttered by Mr. Suhrawardy that he would enter people's homes and search under mattresses, if necessary. But even more disastrous was his letting loose on the market simultaneously with food drive a number of big traders who were to buy surplus stocks. The result was that districts were denuded of rice and even deficit area lost what little they had because the Government gave the order to buy at any price and knocked off the maximum price limit, thereby offering inducement to the hoarder to part with goods. In this respect Dr. Syamaprasad Mookerji did not approve of Ispahanis' appointment as sole buyers, and emphasised the urgent need for Government of India inquiry into Ispahanis' handling of the purchasing contract from Bengal Government. Whereas I do not believe that the Ispahanis directly benefitted in any illegitimate way from those contracts, I also feel that in view of the persistent demand by responsible men like Huq and Mookerji, in the public interest, such an enquiry should be held. Such an enquiry may throw fresh light on the whole problem.

In this connection, the resignation of Mr. Mcinnes who was Foodgrains Purchasing Officer appears to be relevant. Mr. Mookerji said in his speech in the Assembly "I say that Mr. Mcinnes went away, because he was disgusted with the manner in which the minister, Mr. Suhrawardy, was administering the Department of Civil Supplies."

The result of the Ispahanis' purchases, Mr. Mookerji pointed out, was to drive all rice towards Calcutta, leaving the districts almost empty. The trouble is, he went on to say, that the Government's plan to-day is uncoordinated and unplanned. Shiploads and trainloads of food are arriving, but no delivery is promptly taken. Government are not doing anything to compel the industrial units which have large stocks of rice to disgorge some of their stocks and make them available immediately.

CARRY RICE INTO INTERIOR

Dr. Syamaprasad has recently suggested complete cessation of all activity, with a view to direct the entire energy of the army and people to carry rice into the interior and thus help to solve the problem of relief and distribution. This is an idea, which though bold, is worthy of consideration. Even the United States could help in solving the difficulties of transport, and numbers of motors and jeeps and trucks available could be directed to carry food for Indians who are starving. Such a gesture coming from the United States would be interpreted in this country as a friendly approach doing more for promoting good relations, than bundles of posters of the United States Office of War Information.

Bengal Relief Fund, Bombay Committee

List of donations received: Dr. K. G. Patel Rs. 101; U. M. Mirchandani Esq. Rs. 50; Dr. R. V. Sathe Rs. 100; The Asian Assurance Co., Ltd. Rs. 750; The Bombay Vegetable Product Merchants' Asso. Rs. 2,101; Khan Bahadur D. E. Nagarwala Rs. 101; Mr. S. M. Ismail Rs. 100; Sardar S. B. Thorat Rs. 100; Khan Saheb Musa Dayabhai Rs. 100; Mr. Jagannath Fakirchand Rs. 100; Mr. Huseinbhai Veljee Rs. 100; Raghunathdas Madhavlal Rs. 100; M. N. Jape Esq. Rs. 100; Mr. B. L. Zodge Rs. 100; Diwan Mohmed Sulaiman Rs. 100; Mr. Hukumchand Hemidas Rs. 100; Mr. Kanyalal Rs. 50; Mr. S. R. Tamboli Rs. 50; Mr. Nisal Rs. 50; Messrs. Khan Bahadur K. S. Irani, H. Irani and S. K. Irani Rs. 501; Subordinate Staff of G. I. P. Kalyan Power House Rs 121-0-6; Bai Ratanbai F. Pavri Girl's High School Rs. 75; Mr. Ram Daryani Rs. 501; Mr. K. S. Daryani Rs. 501; Mr. O. N. Brown Rs. 112-10-0; Miss Mumtaz Abdulla I. Rahimtoola Rs. 100; The Hon. Secretaries, ex-students and Students of Pupil's Own School, Vile Parle Rs. 5,906; Mr. A. W. H. Cooke Rs. 74-12-0; Staff and Pupils of J. B. Petit High School for girls Rs. 350; A Friend Rs. 1,000; Collections by Mrs. Randhir Singh Rs. 707; Collections by Mrs. M. R. Das Rs. 405-8-0; Staff of Branch Harness and Saddlery Factory Rs. 176; Staff of Haren and Lee Rs. 103; R. I. N. Fort Barracks Rs. 230; Mr. Victor Rosenthal Rs. 500; The Staff of Central Telegraph Office Rs. 84; The Staff of Engineering Dept. Bombay Steam Navigation Co. Rs. 133-1-3; Mancharam I. Jariwala Rs. 61; Keshavji Jadavji Charitable Trust Rs. 1,001; Staff of Messrs. Gestetner India Ltd. Rs. 78; Members of Natya Kutir thru Mr. G. D. Datar (proceedings of Drama) Rs. 2,165-0-6; Ben Chandaben Bhaidas Maganlal Rs. 501; Mr. Kesavdas Kanjee Rs. 501; Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee Rs. 501; Ben Santokben Nanjeebhai Kalidas Rs. 251; Ben Chandaben Gokulchandji Bangad Rs. 251; Mr. Gordhanbhai Waghjibhai Rs. 101; Ben Jayaben Jamnadas Khushal Rs. 101; Ben Kulkorben Laxmidas Ranchhoddas Rs. 101; Ben Kokilaben Ranchhoddas Mehta Rs. 101; Ben Manglaben C. Mashroowala Rs. 101; Sir Chunilal Bhaichand Mehta Rs. 101; Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Govindji Rs. 101; Mr. Dharamdas Samaldas Kothari Rs. 101; Ben Hiraben Mansukhlal Desai Rs. 101; Ben Chanchalben Maganlal Ghia Rs. 101; Ben Hiraben Samji Karsanji Rs. 51; Ben Chaturben Motichand Rs. 51; Collection thru the Fort Hindu Stri Mandai Rs. 330; Ben Kantaben Maganlal Parbhulal Rs. 51 and Ben Icchhaben Chandulal Rs. 51. Total as at 12th October, 1943 Rs. 4,91,398-4-3.

"ASSAULT ON DIGNITY OF PRESS"

Journalists Demand Withdrawal Of Orders On Nagpur, Patna And Calcutta Editors

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

At a joint meeting of the Journalists' Association of India and the Provincial Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, glowing tributes were paid to the memory of Mr. Ramanand Chatterjee, late Editor of the "Modern Review", and a condolence resolution touching his death was passed. The resolution was moved by Mr. B. G. Horniman, who presided over the meeting.

Mr. Horniman said that Mr. Ramanand Chatterjee's name stood out prominently as the greatest figure Indian journalism had produced.

By his character, outstanding ability, and superlative service, not only to the cause of journalism, but that of Indian freedom as well, he had for 35 years been an inspiration to his countrymen.

After retiring from a notable career in Education, he had taken up journalism and leapt into fame not only in India, but even in the international world. "I have spent a life time in journalism. But, I bow down before him, for he has surpassed us all in a particular type of journalism", he said.

C. P. AND BIHAR GOVT.'S ACTIONS CONDEMNED

Mr. S. A. Brelvi moved the second resolution condemning the actions of the Governments of the Central Provinces and Bihar for asking the editors of the "Hitavada", the "Indian Nation" and the "Patna Times" to reveal the sources of their information.

Mr. Brelvi said that this threw into relief the danger of investing an irresponsible bureaucracy with absolute powers. The assurance given to the Central Legislature by the Government that the Defence of India Rules would not be used arbitrarily, had been violated time and again.

By no stretch of imagination could it be said that the editors of these papers had jeopardised either the safety of India or the war-efforts by publishing the reports for which action was taken against them.

By taking action against Mr. Mani without consulting the Provincial Press Advisory Committee the Government had violated the solemn, gentleman's agreement that had been entered into with the Editors' Conference.

To ask Editors of papers to divulge the source of their information was a gross misuse of the Defence of India Rules. It was an assault on the dignity of the Press. To respect the confidence of its correspondents was a code of honour in the profession of journalism. It was amazing that responsible Governments should have asked the editors to do their C. I. D. work for them.

Mr. K. Srinivasan of the Free Press Journal supported the resolution and said: "We, as a profession, stand absolutely united in not revealing the source of our information."

He said that it was necessary that the Government realised that they were not dealing with an isolated paper, but with the organised profession.

Messrs. K. A. Chidambaram and C. S. J. Rao also supported the resolution.

The third resolution condemned the action of the Bengal Government in serving the "Amrit Bazar Patrika" with an order imposing pre-censorship on news and commentaries regarding the food situation in Bengal.

Mr. K. Srinivasan moving the resolution said that in trying to black out the news of the plight in Bengal, the Bengal Government had tried to hide their failure. But the journalists could not be a party to it.

Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan seconded the resolution. He said that such offences on the part of the Government were becoming too general. It was no good on the part of the Government trying to shut out news of Bengal.

It was so clear a case, that the deaf could hear the wail of Bengal, and the blind could see. To use the Defence of India Rules for party politics was reprehensible.

Mr. A. M. P. Karai moved the vote of thanks to the chair.

The second resolution stated, among other things, that "the action taken by the two Provincial Governments is not only a gross abuse of the Defence of India Rules but also a violation of the Gentleman's Agreement between the Government and the Press and of the journalistic code of honour and the meeting demands that the Orders against the editors of the papers concerned should be withdrawn immediately.

This meeting offers its congratulations to Mr. A. D. Mani, Editor of the "Hitavada" in upholding the dignity and honour of the Press by declining to comply with the Order served on him."

PRECENSORSHIP ORDER CONDEMNED

The meeting condemned the Order of pre-censorship served by the Government of Bengal on the "Amrit Bazar Patrika" in respect of publication of matters relating to the present food situation in Bengal as being an indefensible and unwarranted interference with the liberty of the Press and with the right of the people to have free and independent publication of facts and criticisms about the food situation in the Province.

This meeting also condemned the high-handed action of the Government of Bengal in banning publication in that Province of any reference to the Order served on the "Patrika" and demanded that both the Orders should be withdrawn immediately.

Muslims & Maharashtra University

Khan Bahadur Sarafaraz's Note

Khan Bahadur Prof. Shaikh Abdul Kadir Sarafaraz has appended a note to the report of the Maharashtra University Committee appointed by the Government of Bombay. In the course of the note he says: "Broadly speaking, the Muslim educationists, who have given evidence before the Committee and who have either fully or partly opposed the establishment of the University, have done so on two grounds—political and linguistic.

Their opposition on political grounds seems to have been based on their personal experience which is the result of their long and wide contact with certain sections of the Hindu community in public and political matters. They apprehend that the proposed University is likely to be domineered by a political party which may not be favourably disposed towards the Muslims, and that, when it so happens the educational interests of the latter will be imperilled. To understand the Muslim opposition on linguistic grounds we have to go back to their history in Maharashtra before the advent of the British." After giving in brief the history of Muslim education in Maharashtra during the last seventy-five years, Khan Bahadur Sarfraz says:—

"It will be seen that Muslim education has, during this period, gone through several vicissitudes, has often met with reverses, and has as often retrieved its fortunes. If now in the proposed University Marathi is established as the sole medium of instruction the effect of this measure" to quote Khan Saheb S. Baker Ali, B. E. S. (Retired), "will be simply disastrous. Most of these Urdu schools and Urdu high and middle schools will have to be closed. You will put back the hands of the clock seventy years."

The Committee has recommended that the proposed University may make an experiment in the direction of adopting Marathi as a medium of instruction and has laid down certain conditions, under which the experimentation should be conducted It has also recommended that, "in the event of the University desiring at any time to be released from the operation of any of these conditions in any particular direction, it shall make a representation in that behalf to the Provincial Government, and the Provincial Government, after inquiry, may refuse the permission to the University or grant it on such terms as, in its opinion, the circumstances require." The condition is so wide that it gives practically a blank cheque to the future Government in regard to the introduction of Marathi as the medium of instruction and examination. In all Constitution Acts, as a rule, 'Statutory Provision' is made to safeguard the interests of minorities and any Act which may be framed to implement the scheme for a University for Maharashtra, would be extremely defective, if it did not contain a Statutory provision to safeguard adequately the interests of the minorities, such as the Muslims.

Personally I have no objection to the establishment of the University of Poona provided that no Bill which may be brought forward, as a result of the recommendations of the Committee, is placed on the Statute Book, unless it contains the following Statutory provisions to safeguard the interests of the Muslims:—

(i) that in a High School or a College connected with the University, the facilities and provisions for teaching, through English or Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Muslim History, Islamic Culture, are, in no way reduced below the present level and that the facilities available to Muslim students desiring to receive instruction through English, in other subjects are not denied or curtailed, owing to any restriction of numbers on the institution teaching through that medium;

(ii) that in the graduate and post-graduate work conducted by the University, the facilities in regard to the study, through English, or Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Muslim History, Islamic Culture and other subjects are not reduced below their present level.

These, in my opinion, are irreducible minimum requirements for which Statutory provision should be made in the Act.

In conclusion, I must say that I have written this note strictly in obedience to the clear and imperious call of the obligations I owe to both Hindus and Muslims.

Shaikh Abdul Kadir Sarafaraz.
Poona, 22nd June, 1943.

P.S.—After the general discussion of the Report was over I felt on second thoughts that with reference to the last clause of the conditions, a safeguard of a more permanent nature was necessary. Hence I wrote the above Note explaining the position and making the recommendations contained in it. In these circumstances it was not possible for me to place the suggested safeguards before the Committee.

Committee's Comments

The Chairman and other members of the Committee referring to the above Note says:—

"The minutes which follows was submitted by Prof. Shaikh only after what was intended to be the final meeting of the Committee. We have not been able, therefore, to give detailed consideration to it. We would, however, make the following remarks:

(1) At an early stage in the proceedings of the Committee, we came to an understanding that we would seek, if possible, to reach unanimity in our recommendations and that if we found, in any particular matter, that we are not able to reach unanimity we would submit alternative recommendations which would be embodied in the Report. In certain matters we have actually submitted such alternative recommendations.

(2) Prof. Shaikh did not at any time in the course of our deliberations urge the points contained in his dissenting minute or ask that they should be set forth in the Report. The recommendations which we make in these matters and particularly regarding the medium of instruction and examination were the outcome of a compromise to which we understood him to be a party; (he actually was a party to a Resume of our Recommendations which was submitted to H. E. Sir Roger Lumley, on which it is now impossible to go back). If he had laid these points before us during our discussion, we would have made the most earnest endeavours to reach an understanding.

(3) We think that Prof. Shaikh is mistaken in his assumption that Muslim interests would be better protected by the kind of statutory provisions which he proposes than they would be by those which the Committee has recommended. Besides, the provisions which Prof. Shaikh suggests, would, if accepted, deprive the proposed University of all freedom to make any changes or arrangements which it may consider desirable. We would further invite attention to the fact that any statutory provisions can be changed by the authority which makes them and we are of opinion that it is highly improbable that the Legislature would, at any time, use its power in a manner detrimental to Muslim interests.

(Sd.) M. R. Jayakar, R. P. Paranjpe, R. P. Masani, John McKenzie, D. R. Gadgil, B. G. Jagtap, G. B. Jathar.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Mr. Hofmeyr, referred briefly to General Smuts' presence in London, saying that General Smuts would make 'a major contribution to the peace settlement.' General Smuts would see to it that the peace was a just one.

—Pretoria Message

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Madras has been bombed and it would be interesting to listen-in to the B. B. R. (Bombay Bazar Radio).

But wait. To save them a lot of worries and so on, we earnestly assure the Defence of India Rules authorities that the B. B. R. doesn't exist in fact and that it is a pure invention of ours and just a joke.

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According to a New Delhi message, Ruling Princes and Chiefs will, on Thursday, hear Lord Linlithgow's farewell address on "Indian India."

The fact that the other India is not Indian is entirely undeniable.

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Apropos of the Empire air conference, the London "Times" foreshadows that representatives of the Dominions and "India" (!) will urge that the "Commonwealth (!) as a whole" (!!!) secured a share in civil aviation worthy of their airforce contributions and their needs.

From which it is not very difficult to deduce the exact share of India as also the precise nature, ownership, etc., of that share.

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The same paper advocates development of international civil aviation in such a fashion that it "shall not be an instrument of international animosity or national domination."

Or, of course, of Indian national progress.

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Reuters report that Pan-Arab talks between Nahas Pasha and the Saudi representative began on Monday at Alexandria.

We hope observers from Iraq, Transjardonia, Syria and—Palestine?—were also present.

Unfortunately, however, it is not reported whether the Pan-Arab leaders were given a-er—an impressive salute by the British, French, Italian and American warships assembled there.

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"There is no doubt that the crossing of the Volturno is going to be a tough task."

—Algiers report.

Mayn't the Russians help?

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According to a New York report, Portugal may cede naval bases to the Allies.

So that was it!

Bombay Scientist Interviewed In New York

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.

Dr. Vaman Ramachandra Kokatnur, in an interview here, said that the chemical discoveries of this war eventually should show men how to live rather than how to die.

"Extremely significant for the future of humanity is the wealth of discoveries which we are making in nutrition pharmaceuticals," Dr. Kokatnur stated. "It is in this direction that the greatest promise lies for all the people of the world."

Dr. Kokatnur, who was born in the Bombay Presidency and was graduated from Bombay University is one of America's most distinguished consulting chemists. He is now serving as a Captain in the United States Chemical Warfare Service and, in his laboratory on the 15th floor of a New York skyscraper, many young Indian scientists work with test tubes on secret processes. Captain Kokatnur's work is known also in France, Italy, England, Argentina and Brazil.

Dr. Kokatnur was honoured as an outstanding inventor at the Sesquicentennial celebration of the U. S. Patent Office in 1940 and was selected for the Hall of Fame at the New York World's Fair in the same year.—U. S. O. W. I.

Pro-Vichy Officials Sacked

ALGIERS, Oct. 12. Measures against four highly placed judicial officials in North Africa for partiality towards Vichy were announced by the French Committee of National Liberation today. One judge has been suspended, and another reduced in status, while the Permanent Deputy to the Public Prosecutor in Algiers and a magistrate have also been suspended.—Reuter.

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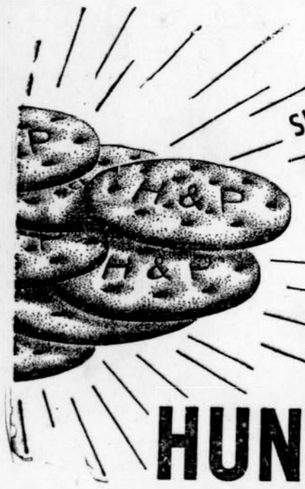

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W. I. F.A.'s HELP TO AIR FORCES

By FREE LANCE

After refusing to stage one special charity match to help the starving people of Bijapur and Bengal, for reasons unknown to the public—the W. I. F. A. arranged two—not one but two—exhibition matches at the Cooperage during the last week-end in aid of the R A F and I A F. Benevolent Funds. Not that I object to—or even grudge—the help given to the latter but I must say that in the matter of the Indian Relief Funds, above-mentioned, the W I F A Committee has shown much less sympathy than the causes deserved. I understand they have donated this sum of Rs. 1,200 out of the proceeds of the Services Quadrangular to the Bengal Relief Fund. Handsome as this donation is, it might have been much bigger—even Rs. 12,000—if a special match in which Indians and Europeans are equally interested had been arranged. However, we have to be thankful for what we get, because we, Indians, have not the strength to dictate our own terms at the present moment.

The Benevolent Funds of the Air Forces have benefited to the extent of Rs. 9,200. This was a splendid effort for which the W I F A. Committee may well congratulate itself. The matches attracted very good attention from the public and drew excellent support from them. This season the W I F A has been able to raise as much as Rs. 30,000 for Charitable causes—undoubtedly it is a brilliant record in the history of the Association.

In both the matches the R A F suffered defeats despite the fact that they had some leading professionals of Britain in their ranks. Evidently they were not in their best colours and their cohesive work left much to be desired. The combined European teams defeated them by four goals to two, while the Indians got the better of them by a solitary goal. The latter missed the guiding hand of Murthy very much in their attacking operations. They might have won by a bigger margin, had he led their attack.

Rovers Cup

R. A. F. IN SEMI-FINAL

In the third round of the Rovers Cup, the Royal Air Force accounted for the Desertonians by four goals to one and qualified to play in the penultimate round. Leading by one goal at the interval the Airmen increased the tally to three. Then the Desertonians reduced the margin by a goal. But before the final whistle, the R.A.F. added the fourth goal to their account.

Referee: S. C. Ghosh.

TO-DAY'S GAME

6 p.m. G I. P. Railway v. L. A. A. Regiment.

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HIGH COURT'S TRIBUTES TO AZAD

Great Loss To Bombay Bar, Says Mr. Justice Blagden

A reference to the demise of Mr M. K. Azad, the well-known criminal lawyer of the city was made yesterday before Mr. Justice Blagden at the Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court.

Mr. P. A. Mahale, bar-at-law paying glowing tributes to the deceased veteran said that he was a well-known and brilliant criminal lawyer, who commanded an extensive and lucurative practice. His persuasive eloquence and photographic memory helped him a great deal in successfully fighting out cases in the Sessions Court. He was always helpful to juniors and had a high sense of duty. Though weak, he appeared only a week before his death in the Sessions Court and he died "the death of a soldier."

Mr. Mohile and Mr. Vimadalal associated themselves with the tributes paid by Mr. Mahale to Mr. Azad's memory.

His Lordship also associating himself with the sentiments expressed on the occasion stated that though, being a recent comer to Bombay he had not the privileges of knowing Mr. Azad intimately he fully realised that by his death the Bombay Bar had suffered a grave loss.

An Able Advocate

Mr. S. G. Velinkar, Bar-at-Law writes:

By the untimely death of Mr. M. K. Azad Bar-at-Law the Criminal Bar has lost an able advocate. Mr. Azad was eminently qualified to conduct the defence in Jury trials. His cross-examination was searching and showed much industry and careful thinking. His address to the Jury was as persuasive as it was fearless, and he was "facile princeps" in obtaining verdicts of Juries in his favour both in Bombay and elsewhere in the Mofussil. As public speaker he was always forceful. He never bored his audience but held their attention. He was exceedingly well-read but never paraded his knowledge. It was a pity that when he began to make his mark at the Bar he gave up his political activities. Had he continued them, there is no doubt he would have been one of the political leaders in this Province. Being of a remarkably genial disposition he was greatly liked and respected for his abilities and his gifts. Mr. Azad was associated with me for over 35 years. He was uncommonly quick in learning. As an instance of this, I may mention that in 1908 or 1909 I induced him to give up Real Property and take up Hindu and Mahomedan Law about a fortnight before the examination. He agreed if I promised to coach him. He applied himself to his task and with a fortnight's coaching passed the examination. As a token of his appreciation he presented me with a gold flat pencil which I have carefully preserved and hope to leave to my son as a memento of Mr. M. K. Azad.

Mr. Azad took many a struggling junior under his wing and helped him to establish himself.

Azad Was Really Azad!

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:

So old Azad Advocate is no more. In the good old Home Rule days, he worked with all his might and main with Mr. Horniman, Umer Sobhani, Vaikunth Desai, etc. also with late lamented Mrs. Annie Besant and Mr. Jinnah. All throughout his career, he was free from communal bias or bitterness, and felt so deeply grieved, how his old colleague and senior Mr. Jinnah had so radically changed! Azad was thus really Azad (free from communalism, racialism and fake patriotism). Good-bye Azad!

Anti-Religious Propaganda Ends In Russia

LONDON, Oct. 11.

The Archbishop of York, Dr. Garbett speaking on Monday on his visit to Russia said that there could be no doubt that worship within churches in Russia was fully allowed.

Anti-religious propaganda had come to an end though he was told that Godless societies were still in existence. There was a growing spirit of tolerance.

There was no freedom of religious propaganda and the state itself was definitely non-religious, but undoubtedly millions of Russians were turning to God for guidance, help or comfort. Orthodox church accepted loyally the present constitution.—Reuter.

The Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition Order will come into force in Sholapur Municipal Borough from October 15.

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

SHARES:—The proposed reduction in cloth prices to meet consumers requirements, failed to have any effect on the local stock Exchange. Bulls are confident and show no signs of liquidation and at the end of the first weekly settlements, some operators secured accommodation. This spirit of co-operation without usual Budla was good relief and it is generally held that trading would continue satisfactorily. The market opened firm today with active demand for steel shares and Tata Deffs after opening at Rs. 2,000 improved to Rs. 2,005 but later reacted to Rs. 1,995. Ordinary shares after opening at Rs. 405 improved to Rs. 409 Bombay

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Defd (1963/12) 1997/8 2010 2002/8 1997/8 2012/8 8/12 7/8 25 15 21/4. T. S. Ord (399) 403 10 7/8 9 6 8/8 7/8 11/8 10 11. Bombay Dyeing (2008/12) 2017/8 25 20 25 17/8 22/8 35 32 35 27/8. Century (942) 946 50 48 49 45 50 48 51 49 52 47. Kohinoor (655) 665 68 66 72 68 71 67 72 70 77 75 72 79 63. Swadeshi (599/8) 605 10 5 7 5 6 8 7. Nagpur (482) 482 91 87 89 87/8 89/8 91 92 90. Simplex (290/8) 295/8 92/8 93/8 92 93 95 93/8. New Great (450) 453 51 53 54 53 54. Gokak (368) 369 70 68 67 68/8. Cement (219/12) 219/8 20/8 20 21. Bellapur (243) 248 54 50 49 51 49 55 56 54/8.

Dyeings opened at Rs 2,025 and steadied at Rs. 2,020. Century shares after touching Rs. 950 level ruled quietly steady at Rs. 945. Kohinoors touched Rs. 670 and later were quoted at Rs. 667.

The proposed reduction in the ceiling prices of cloth will not effect present profits of cotton mills, mainly due to decline in the price of raw cotton and chemicals. Moreover the reduction will be based on the cost of production but the margin of profit of retailers will have to face comparatively increased reduction. At the moment the market takes clue from extreme ease of money and encouraging war news. Quotations were pushed up under active buying but after the close the market changed complexion on news of bombing of Madras and some trading was reported privately as quotations which show loss of all early improvement and Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 663.

BULLION:—On Monday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03-3/4 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d and New York Spot silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents. The local market was closed as a mark of honour to the death of Seth Chhotalal, a partner of Messrs. Bhogilal Chhotalal. The undertone was firm. Nominally gold was quoted at Rs. 78/8 and silver at Rs. 124/2.

In the afternoon trading was resumed and the market was firm on reports of bombing over Madras. There was considerable buying and covering. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 127 and delivery stood at Rs. 126. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 80/10 and delivery business was done at Rs. 80/8. Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 54/12.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, October 11.

October 20.55—03; December 20.20—04; January 20.16—04; March 20.05—04 Middling spot 21.16—04.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

October 20.60+03; December 20.46—06; January 20.38—06; March 20.30—06 Middling spot 20.26—06

NEW YORK COTTON

October 20.55; December 20.20; March 20.05.

Tenders For Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 12th October, 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 12,28,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-13-3 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-13-0 allotted approximately 68 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. Eight Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-12-0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 19th October, 1943, in Bombay up to 11 a.m. (S.T.) and up to the close of business on Monday, the 18th October, 1943, at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 22nd October, 1943. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 8th October 1943, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 5,22,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

AHMEDABAD DISTURBANCES

5 Deaths And 300 Arrested So Far

(From Our Own Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD October 12.

Though the situation is under control fresh assaults with knife were made this morning at 10-15 a.m. This makes the total assaults to 32 and deaths to five. Persons arrested upto this morning are 300 including today's arrest of about 15.

DAMAN GRASS FOR BOMBAY

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes: "In order to relieve the present shortage of grass in Bombay, the Government of Bombay approached the military authorities for a loan of grass from the Army Grass Depots and the military authorities have kindly agreed to the release of a large quantity of grass from their Daman depot. Arrangements are being made to bring this grass to Bombay for sale at prices lower than those ruling at present.

TALVALKAR'S APPOINTMENT.

Mr. B. G. Talvalkar, M. R. C. S. (Eng.), F. R. C. S. (Eng.) has been appointed as Honorary Assistant Surgeon. G. T. Hospital, Bombay. He is also working as an Honorary Surgeon in the "Ayurvedic" Hospital, Girgaum, Bombay.

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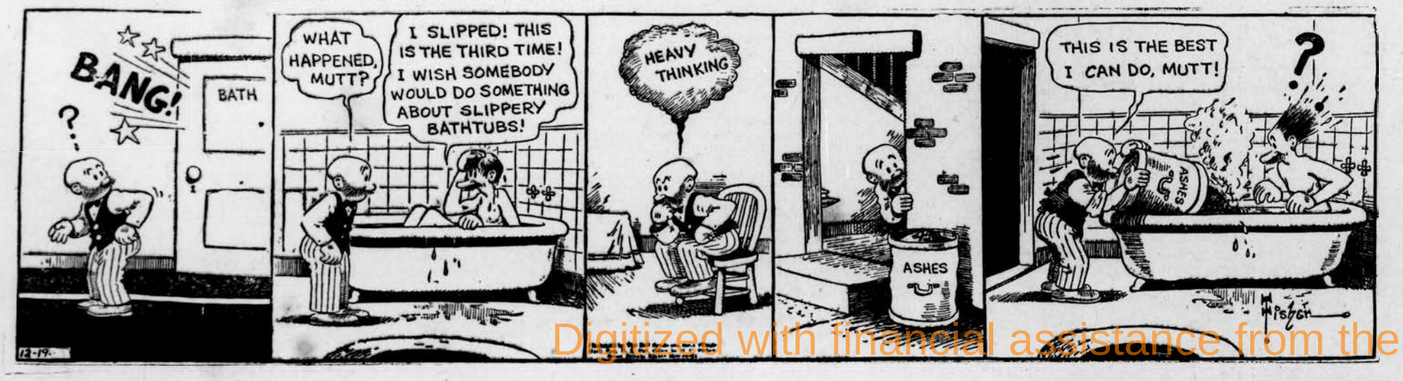

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By Order of the Board.
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Managing Agents.
V. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 14th September, 1943.

N. B.—The Dividend and Bonus when declared will be made payable at THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD., BANGALORE CITY, on and after MONDAY, the 25th October, 1943, to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register of Members on the 25th September, 1943. Shareholders are requested to intimate change of address if any.

This Notice is addressed more particularly to:—
Gen. C. J. Merriman,
Mr. Richard Holdsworth.

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MORVI RAILWAY

Stores Superintendent's Office,
Morvi, D/16/9/1943.

TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of consumable Stores and Stationery for the calendar Year 1944 are invited and will be received by the Stores Superintendent, Morvi Railway, Morvi, upto 5-30 p.m. of 25th November, 1943.

(2) Tender forms, along with the schedules can be had on payment of Rs. 3/- for Consumable Stores and Re. 1/- for Stationery per copy.

(3) Earnest money of Rs. 200/- for Consumable Stores and Rs. 100/- for Stationery tender must accompany each tender.

(4) Tenders must be superscribed "Tenders for Consumable Stores" and "Tender for Stationery" as the case may be.

(Sd.) D. GORADIA,
Ag. Stores Superintendent,
Morvi Railway, Morvi.

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632. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE
Wanted purchasers for our Tower Brand Barsoaps, Terms cash. Apply the Baku Soap Works, Matunga, Bombay 19. (2744)
Essences—Slovak and Schindler Essences for aerated water an bakery use. Best quality. Rock bottom rates. Agents wanted United Chemical Industries, Victoria 3rd Cross Lane, Byculla Bombay 27. (2852)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE MORARJEE GOCULDAS SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF 72ND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of THE MORARJEE GOCULDAS SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Soparibaug Road, Parel, Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 6th November 1943, at 3-0 P. M. (Standard Time) for transacting the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1943.
2. To declare a Dividend and a Bonus.
3. To elect a Director in place of Mr. V. S. Apte, who retires by rotation under Article 108 of the Articles of Association of the Company, but is eligible for re-election and to give consent to his being so elected a Director, in view of the fact that he holds office of profit, under the Company, being a partner in the firm of Messrs. Kedarnath Baijnath, who are the Selling Agents of the Company.
4. To elect a Director in place of Mr. Gordhandas Govindji, who retires by rotation under Article 108 of the Articles of Association of the Company, but is eligible for re-election and to give consent to his being so elected a Director, in view of the fact that he holds office of profit under the Company, being a partner in the firm of Messrs. Kedarnath Baijnath, who are the Selling Agents of the Company.
5. To elect a Director in place of Mr. Gopikisan Piramal, who vacates office under Article 93 of the Articles of Association of the Company, but is eligible for re-election.
6. To confirm donations.
7. To appoint Auditors for the new year and to fix their remuneration.
8. To transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain closed from Thursday, the 21st October 1943 to Wednesday, the 17th November, 1943 (both days inclusive).

By Order of
The Board of Directors,
GANESHNARAYAN PIRAMAL
Agents.

Soparibaug Road, Parel,
Bombay, 30th September, '43.

NOTE:— The Dividend and Bonus, if sanctioned, will be payable to those shareholders, whose names stand on the Register of the Company, in the evening of Wednesday, the 20th October, 1943. Payment will be made at the Bank of India, Ltd., Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, between 11-0 A. M. and 3-0 P. M. (S.T.) from Monday, the 22nd November, 1943 to Friday, the 26th November, 1943, (both days inclusive). During this period, no payment of Dividend and Bonus will be made at the Registered Office of the Company, except to such shareholders, who desire remittance through post.

On and after Saturday, the 27th November, 1943, payment of Dividend and Bonus will be made at the Registered Office of the Company between 12-0 P. M. and 4-0 P.M. (S. T.) on week days and between 12-0 Noon and 2-0 P. M. on Saturdays.

Dividend Warrants will be posted in due course to the Registered addresses of the Shareholders. Change of address, if any, should be notified without delay, on receipt of this notice.

To,
The Members of The Morarjee Gocouldas Spinning & Weaving Company, Ltd., in general and to the under noted Members in particular:—

NAMES OF THE SHAREHOLDERS

Anant Narhar Mahajan, Esqr., Raja Bahadur Bansilal Motilal, Bai Bhuri as guardian of Ratilal Bhagwanji Choksey, Bhogilal Morarji, Esqr., Choksi Ochhavlal Balkishan, Esqr., Chandulal Purshottamdas Javeri and Bai Moti, wife of Chandulal Purshottamdas Javeri, Gunvantrai G. Mazumdar, Esq., Hargovan Harjiwan, Esq. Dr. Jayendrarai Balabhai Mazumdar and Bai Manjula Balabhai, Messrs. Jamnadas Devidas and Chunilal Jamnadas, Karsanlal Chhotalal, Esq., Lalitaben, wife of Choksi Jamnadas Bhurabhai Bai Manibai Poonamchand, Manjubhai Nanabhai Oza, Esq., Messrs. Manjulal Nanabhai Oza and Ashvanikumar Nanabhai Oza, Manjubhai Nanabhai Oza, Esq., and Bai Lalitalaxmi Ranjitlal Oza, Mr. Natverlal Avantiram Mehta and Mrs. Manubai Natverlal Mehta Natverlal Vidyashanker Acharya and Mrs. Shrimati Natverlal, Prabhudas Tribhovandas Shah, Esq. Parmar Lalchand Vithal, Esqr., Ratilal Damodardas Parikh, Esq., Radhakisan Pashupatinath, Esq. Samaldas Harchand, Esq., Bai Suntok, widow of Mulchand, Maganlal and Bai Suraj, widow of Maganlal Dalichand, Messrs. Tribhovandas Narandas and Mangaldas Narandas, Arvindlal Nanabhai Oza, Esq., Bhogilal Dwarkadas, Esq., Bapalal Mohanlal Vaidya Esq., and Bai Maniben Bapalal Mohanlal, Clandino Xaxier Menezes, Esqr., Chhotalal Parbhudas, Esq., Messrs. Chandulal Girdharlal Patwa, Champaklal Maganlal Mehta and Vadilal Keshavlal Messrs. Girdhar Tribhovandas and Jeevanlal Girdhardas, Messrs. Indulal Bapalal and Dhirendra Indulal, Jashiben Bapalal and Bapalal Mohanlal Vaidya, Kantilal Ratilal Vora, Esqr., Bai Kanchangouri Dhanki, Mamlatdar and Manager, Court of Wards Jamkhandi, Mulchand Bhaichand, Esqr., Manohar Shripat Naik Akalkotkar, Esq., Murlidhar Gordhandas Pasari, Esqr., Narayanlal Bansilal, Esqr., Nandlal Tribhovandas, Esq., Natverlal Vidyashanker Acharya and Mrudulaben, daughter of Natverlal Vidyashanker, Nadirsha Bappooji Chinoy, Esq. and Mrs. Jeroo Nadir Chinoy, Patel Bhagwandas Shivlal, Esq. Purshottamdas Gordhandas Pasari, Esqr., Ramniklal Vrijlal Esq., Shamaldas Bhagwandas, Esqr., Bai Sakerbai Alibhoy, Sundarji Hirji, Esq., and Bai Amrut L. Hemchand, Bai Trumbakaba Aditram, Vithal Hargovan, Esqr., Balchandra Nanabhai Oza, Esqr., Ashwinkumar Nanabhai Oza, Rai Bahadur Dilsukhrai Mansukhrai Nanavati, and Mr. Dwipinchandra Dilsukhrai Nanavati, Mannekchand Nanchand Shah, Esqr., Messrs. Rustomji Jamshedji Vakharia and Jal Jamshedji Vakharia, Trikamlal Purshottamdas Dalal, Esq., Chimanlal Nagindas, Esq., Bai Dhunbai Pestonji Neku and Dr. Homi Pestonji Bhikaji Neku, Manohar Shanker Zirpe, Esqr., Shanker Pandurang Zirpe, Esqr., Bai Suraj, widow of Maganlal Dalichand, Bai Rukhi Mulchand, Messrs. Pannalal Bansilal and Goverdhanlal Bansilal, Mr. Madhavdas Manekchand and Mrs. Raliatbai Madhavdas Messrs. Mangaldas Narandas and Varjivandas Mangaldas Jivanlal Chakubhai, Esqr., Bai Virmati Kantiray, Nathubhai Kahanjibhai Patel, Esqr., Balchandra Nanabhai Oza Esqr., Kishanlal Ramjidas, Esqr., Mrs. Kadambari Kumarkant and Batuklal Maganlal, Esqr., Mrs. Ramavati S. Ghoda, Shah Manherlal Pranjivan, Esq., Mrs. Narmadabai Natverlal, Mrs. Dinar Manek Kasad and Mr. Manek Cawasji Kasad, Gopilal Govindlal Amroliwala, Esqr., Bai Narmadabai Natverlal, Tribhovandas Anderjee, Esqr., Mrs. Shalinibai Nilkanthrao Patwardhan, Mrs. Ramavati Surendrarai Ghoda and Mr. Nilkanthrai Dilsukhrai Nanavati, Mr. Maganlal Anderjee and Bai Ramanbai Maganlal, Mrs. Manjula Batuklal and Mr. Batuklal Maganlal Shah Anderjee Manekchand, Esqr., and Mrs. Prem kuvar Shobhagchand, Kapilagavri Maneklal and Mrs. Pushpavati Bhadraprasad Diwan.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY

SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICE

The Public is notified that the following Suburban Trains will NOT stop at the stations mentioned against each on the dates shown below:—

DATE	TRAIN NO.	WILL NOT STOP AT
(i) 13-10-43 & 16-10-43	602 Up.	Currey Road Chinchpokli Sandhurst Road
(ii) 14-10-43	301 Dn.	Mumbra Diva Dombivli Thakurli
(iii) 16-10-43 & 17-10-43	302 Up	Thakurli Dombivli Diva Mumbra

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IMPORT OF PARTS FOR MOTOR CYCLES OF NORTH AMERICAN ORIGIN

INTENDING IMPORTERS of PARTS FOR MOTOR CYCLES of NORTH AMERICAN ORIGIN may apply to the undersigned by the 10th November, 1943, at the latest, with full particulars of their requirements, stating the total value of such parts imported by them during the years 1938, 1939 1940 and 1941.

CONTROLLER OF ROAD TRANSPORT.
War Transport Department.

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INDIAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

Victoria Road, Karachi.

Policy No. 11786 on the life of Mr. FRANCIS XAVIER MISQUITA NOTICE HAVING BEING GIVEN of the LOSS of the above Policy, a Duplicate will be issued unless objection is lodged with the Company within ONE MONTH from this date.

A. R. D'ABREO
Secretary.

Dated, 13th Oct. 1943.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from persons possessing Diploma in Physical Education of the Government Physical Training Institute, Kandivalee, for a temporary post of a Physical Instructor for the Municipal Marathi, Gujarati, Urdu and Hindi Teachers' Training Classes. The post is temporary upto 31st March, 1944 and the salary of the post is Rs. 100/- p. m. plus Rs. 14/- as Grain Compensation. Candidates applying for the post should state their age, caste, qualifications, previous experience and the languages in which they will be able to impart instruction. Candidates knowing Marathi, Gujarati, Urdu and Hindi will be preferred. Applications should be addressed to the undersigned so as to reach her not later than Monday, the 18th October, 1943.

K. KHANDVALA,
Secretary, Schools Committee.
The Schools Committee's Office,
Gilder Tank Building, Grant Road,
Bombay No. 7.

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NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS OF PETROL DRIVEN MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR BOATS RESIDING IN THE BOMBAY REGION.

APPLICATIONS for the basic ration for the quarter commencing from 1st November, 1943, are to be made in 'H' forms, obtainable free from the following distribution centres.

1. For centres in Bombay, from 15th to 27th October, 1943, (excluding Sundays and Public Holidays) between 10-30 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays.
   a. For owners of motor vehicles of over 19 H.P. in the office of the Western India Football Association, Limited, Cooperage Football Ground, Bombay.
   b. For owners of motor vehicles of under 19 H.P., motor cycles and motor boats, in the Shamiana, erected on the open ground in front of the New Taxation Office, Gymnasium Road, off Cruickshank Road, Bombay.
2. In the District of Thana, applications of owners of all private motor vehicles should be submitted at the Travellers' Bungalow, from 20th to 22nd October 1943.
3. In the District of Kolaba, applications of owners of all private motor vehicles should be submitted at the Inspection Bungalow, Mahad, from 23rd to 25th October, 1943.
4. In the portion of the Ratnagiri District, which lies in the Bombay Region, applications of owners of all private motor vehicles should be submitted at the Rest House, Khed, from 26th to 27th October, 1943.
5. For Municipalities, Ambulances, School Buses, Trade Nos, Government Vehicles, Transport vehicles, Taxis and Stage Carriages, applications should be submitted in the office of the Area Rationing Authority, Head Police Office Compound, Bombay, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 12-30 noon on Saturdays.

Owners of Transport Motor Vehicles and Taxis are informed that they should produce either 'A', 'B' or Temporary Permit and the Registration Certificate together with the applications in H form, duly filled in.

As usual, members of the Western India Automobile Association should apply to the office of that Association.

Applications for supplementary ration for the quarter ending 31-1-44 may be made in K forms, obtainable at the Area Rationing Office, Bombay, from 1st November, 1943, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 12-30 noon on Saturdays.

The attention of motor owners is drawn to the fact that supplementary petrol coupons are stamped AND MADE VALID FOR A MONTH ONLY, though three months' ration is issued at a time.

In all cases, Registration Certificates must be produced together with the applications.

Owners are also informed that they must obtain their basic ration before the 27th October, 1943, as failing this, they are likely to be put to inconvenience and delay in receiving such ration later.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Owners of cars will be required to sign each coupon and enter the number of their motor vehicles on the coupons in token of having received petrol. A notice will be stamped on the front page of each coupon book, clearly defining the obligations of motor owners on handing in the coupons in token of having received petrol. This is being done to obviate any possible chance of persons handing in coupons to which they have no right

E. SHEEHY,
Area Rationing Authority,
Bombay.

Area Rationing Office,
Head Police Office, Bombay.
9th October, 1943.

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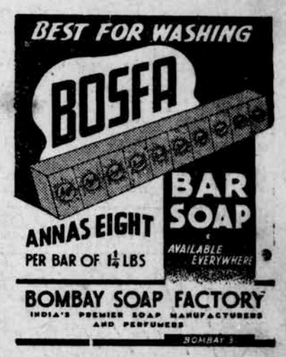

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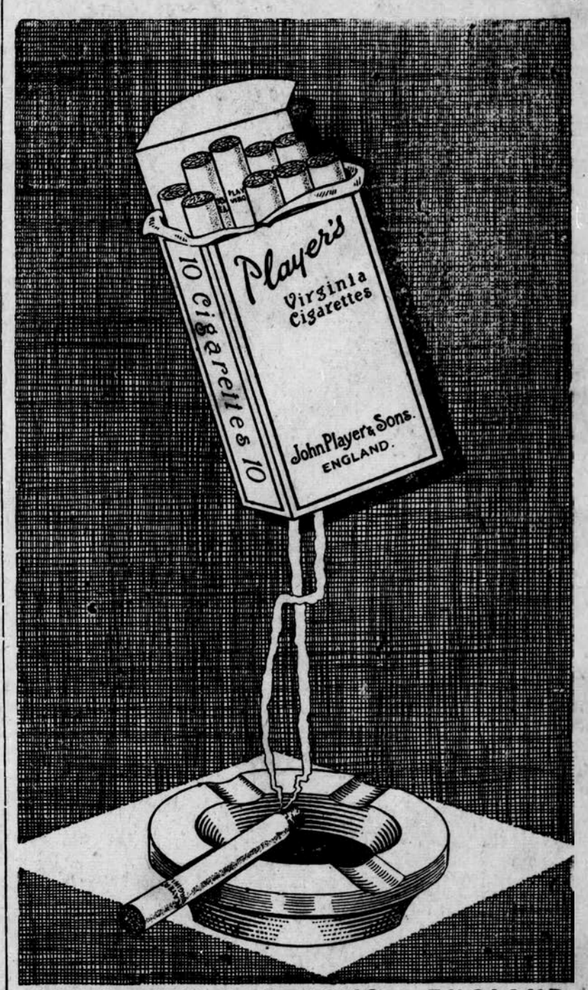

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